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OF THE

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

OCTOBER 24 and 25

1930

ELDER G. W. MILES, Moderator ..... Miles, N. C.

C. C. SIDDEN, Clerk ..... Joynes, N. C.

The Next Session Will Be Held With Union Hill Church, Four Miles East of Thurmond, N. C., To Commence On Friday Before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1931.

Elder D. H. Brown to Preach the Introductory Sermon.

Elder H. A. Adams, Alternate.

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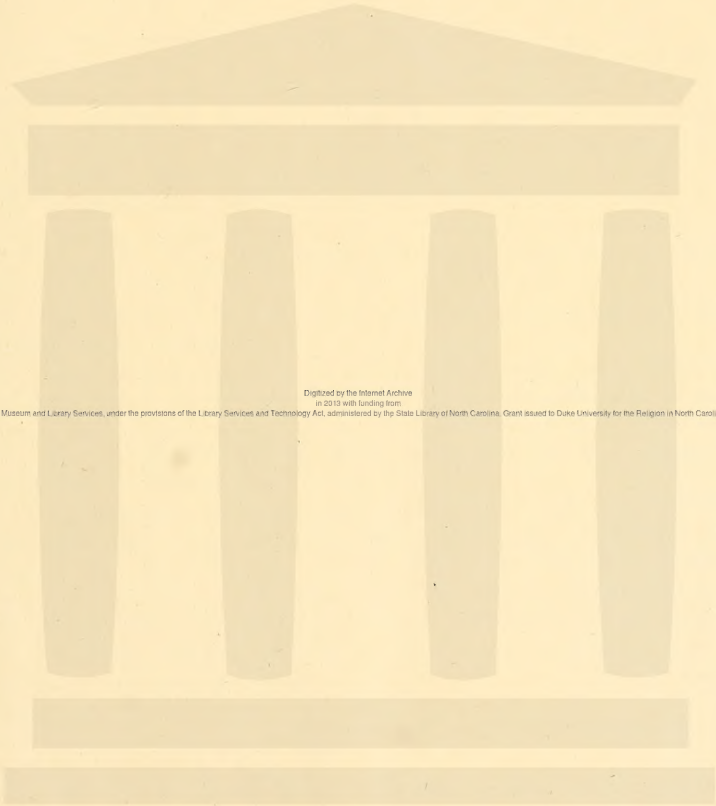

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PROCEEDINGS
of the
SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
of the
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Convened with Zion Baptist Church, October 24, 1930.

Opening song No. 1 Primitive Hymns. Service introduced by Elder Monroe Dillard by reading the 11th chapter of Hebrews. Song No. 3. Prayer by Elder A. F. Walker. Introductory sermon by Elder A. C. Sidden. Text Prov. 22-28 Remove not the ancient landmarks, etc. Remarks by Elder G. W. Miles.

Intermission of 30 minutes.

Delegates reassembled.

Song 188. Prayer by Elder G. W. Miles. Association called to order by Moderator.

1st. Called for church letters when 16 were handed in, read and delegates seated.

2nd. Invited newly constituted or any regular Baptist church of same faith and order to unite with us, when delegates from Union Hill Church came forward with letters and were received.

3rd. Elected Elder G. W. Miles, Moderator, and C. C. Sidden, Clerk by acclimation.

4th. Invited correspondents of same faith and order to sit with us when letters were handed in read and correspondents seated, viz: From Mt. Union, Elder M. C. Powers, Bros. James Rash, Hart Absher, and James Roberts. From Little River, Elders A. McKnight, Wiley Combs, A. C. Walker, G. M. Johnson, Wilburn Walker, Bros. F. Q. Blevins, R. L. Hanks, James Bauguss and Lee Woodruff. From Mitchels River, Bros. Geo. Smith and H. A. Brooks.

5th. Extended an invitation to transients and visitors. None accepted.

6th. The Moderator being authorized to make all temporary appointments, the following committee were appointed:

(a) On Ministry; C. W. Walker, D. H. and G. W. Brown.

(b) On Finance; D. L. Holbrook, C. C. Burcham and M. S. Walker.

(c) On Arrangements; H. A. Adams, W. M. Sexton, Wirt Walker, Charlie Miles and Watson Durham. Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents invited to sit with this Committee.

(d) On Obituaries; James Wood, R. C. Cothren and A. C. Sidden.

(e) On Sabbath Schools; A. F. Walker, Harvey Key and L. W. Wood.

(f) On Resolutions; James Spicer, W. D. Barker and T. F. Harrold.

(g) On Temperance; J. M. Brown, T. N. Royal and Guy Cox.

(h) On Time, Place and Preacher; G. M. Royal, W. M. Holbrook and L. A. Brewer.

(i) To Write Corresponding Letters; to Mt. Union, A. C. Sidden; To Little River, Charlie Miles; To Blue Ridge, A. F. Walker; To Mitchels River, H. H. Jennings; To Green River, A. C. Sidden.

7th. Committee on Ministry reported as follows, to preach tonight: 1st. Wiley Combs, 2nd. A. C. Walker, 3rd. G. W. Miles. Tomorrow, 1st. M. C. Dillard, 2nd. A. F. Walker, 3rd. M. C. Powers.

8th. On motion adjourned until tomorrow at 9:30. Song No. 330. Prayer by Elder M. C. Powers.

SATURDAY MORNING

Met pursuent to adjournment of yesterday and spent 30 minutes in Devotional Exercise.

Scripture lesson read by Elder G. W. Miles. Prayer by Elder D. H. Brown.

1st. Secretary called roll and marked absentees.

2nd. Committee on Arrangements reported.

3rd. On motion receive the report and take up items as they appear on bill.

4th. Extended an invitation to correspondents, transients and visitors, when Bros. John Walker and R. O. Adams from Little River accepted seats.

5th. Committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows: The Sabbath School is an agency by which we train our children; therefore we advise our churches to organize and hold Sabbath School as much as possible. We recommend the Old and New Testament scripture for text books.

We advise our brethren to elect Christian officers to preside over the children, and instruct them to contend for the Faith

once delivered to the saints. Jesus taught on the Sabbath. He taught the Word of God, the only way of life and salvation.

A. F. WALKER,
L. WOOD,
W. H. KEY,
Committee.

6th. Committee on Temperance reported as follows: We, your committee on Temperance, advise our members to be temperate in their conversation, to govern their temper and to totally abstain from the use of or dealing in intoxicating drinks.

Should any of our members refuse to conform to Bible teachings along these lines after being brotherly reproved, we then advise the church to apply the Bible rule in such case.

J. M. BROWN,
G. R. COX,
T. N. ROYAL,
Committee.

Remarks by Charlie Miles, D. H. Brown, A. C. Sidden, A. McKnight, R. C. Cothren, and D. H. Barker.

7th. Elected Clerk-Treasurer and authorized him to have 800 copies of this minute printed, reserve one for each church with whom we are in correspondence and distribute the remainder to the churches according to their respective contribution. Clerk to have $10.00 for his service.

8th. Committee on Finance reported as follows: Received from the churches $55.10.

9th. Committee on Obituaries reported with those appearing in this minute, same were ordered to be printed.

10th. Committee on Ministry reported, to preach tonight, 1st. W. D. Barker, 2nd. A. C. Sidden. Tomorrow, 1st. A. F. Walker, 2nd. G. W. Miles, 3rd. A. McKnight.

11th. Committee on Resolutions reported as follows: First we thank God for His goodness, mercies and great blessings toward us during the past year and earnestly ask a continuation of the same. Second we want to ask our brethren and sisters to be more earnestly engaged in the service of the Lord and to be more prompt in filling their seats at church. Third we want to extend our heart-felt thanks to our brethren, sisters and kind

friends of this community for their kind hospitality during the sitting of this association.

JAS. M. SPICER,
W. D. BARKER,
T. F. HARROLD,
Committee.

12th. Called on Correspondents to report. Elders A. C. Sidden, Wirt Walker and Bro. G. W. Brown visited Mt. Union and found them in love and harmony. Elders Wirt Walker and J. C. Harrold visited Little River and found them in peace and harmony. G. M. Royal and J. M. Spicer visited Mitchels River and were received.

13th. Appointed Correspondents as follows: To Mt. Union, Elders A. C. Sidden, Wirt Walker, Brethren M. S. Walker, H. H. Jennings and J. P. Brooks. To Little River, to be held with Laurel Glenn church, 2 miles northeast of Glade Valley, N. C., beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in Oct., 1931, Elders G. W. Miles, A. C. Sidden, Wirt Walker, A. F. Walker, J. C. Harrold, Bretheren J. M. Spicer, M. F. Blevins, H. H. Jennings and K. H. Wilmoth. To Blue Ridge, to commence on Friday before the third Sunday in Oct. 1931, Elders G. W. Miles, A. C. Sidden, H. A. Adams, J. C. Harrold and Bro. Charlie Miles. To Mitchels River to commence on Friday before the first Sunday in Aug. 1931, (with Snow Hill church.) James M. Spicer and M. F. Royal. To Green River, Elders G. W. Miles, A. C. Sidden, Bretheren J. P. Brooks, W. M. Sexton and Jas. M. Spicer.

14th. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported, our next session to be held with Union Hill Church, four miles east of Thurmond, N. C., to commence on Friday before the fourth Sunday in Oct., 1931. Elder D. H. Brown to preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder H. A. Adams, Alternate.

G. M. ROYAL,
W. M. HOLBROOK,
L. A. BREWER,
Committee.

15th. Is there any other business? None.

16th. On motion adjourned until time and place of our next session. Song 330. Prayer by Elder G. W. Miles. Song 396, handshake, Benediction by Elder A. McKnight.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Antioch—T. N. Royal, Franklin Royal, and I. G. Wagoner.

Austin—Guy Cox, Sherman Colbert, George Lyon and D. H. Brown.

Bethany—M. A. Blackburn, J. T. Wood, L. W. Wood and W. C. Childres.

Cane Creek—J. C. Felts and W. H. Key.

Center—H. H. Jennings, G. G. Elledge and H. E. Harrold.

Double Creek—D. L. Holbrook, Wirt Walker and W. M. Holbrook.

Garden Creek—J. M. Brown, Mack Brown, J. B. Holloway and J. P. Brooks.

Liberty Knob—G. W. Miles, W. D. Barker, M. F. Royal, Charlie Miles and G. M. Royal.

New Covenant—M. S. Walker, A. C. Billings and L. F. Caudill.

Oak Level—J. M. Spicer and J. B. Byrd.

Rachel—S. T. Curry, C. C. Burcham, J. I. Johnson and William Dimmette.

Roaring River—A. C. Sidden, C. C. Sidden, G. W. Brown, W. M. Sexton and L. G. Venable.

Round Hill—R. C. Cothren.

Round Mountain—J. L. Wood, H. A. Adams, M. F. Blevins, L. A. Brewer and J. C. Elledge.

Union—Watson Durham and Charlie Sidden.

Union Hill—A. F. Walker, R. H. Wilmoth and J. G. Isaacs.

Zion—Norman Reynolds, B. F. Hays, M. C. Dillard, Geo. Sebastian and T. F. Harrold.

SUNDAY MORNING

Service opened singing after which Elder Wilburn Walker read Rev. 22 chapter for an opening lesson. Prayer Elder M. C. Powers. 1st sermon by Elder G. W. Miles, text, "Oh That Men Would Praise the Lord Everywhere." 2nd sermon by Elder A. McKnight, text, James 1:27, "Pure religion and undefiled is this, etc." Song No. 329. General handshake. Thus closed the sixty-second session of the Primitive Baptist Association in love and harmony, and with a manifestation of the Spirit of the Lord.

OBITUARIES

SMITH

Mrs. Martha E. Royal Smith was born July 15th, 1861, and departed this life August 5th, 1930. Age sixty-nine years and twenty-one days. She was married to Thomas B. Smith August 19th, 1878, and unto this union was born one child, Mr. Ray V. Smith, now living. She professed a hope in Christ about fifty years ago, and united with the Woodruff Baptist church, but later moved her membership to Liberty Knob Baptist church where her membership remained till death. She was a faithful and affectionate wife, a pious devoted mother, a model church member. She was industrious, kind and noble in her home and in her community, and in her conservative, yet uncompromising, adherence to the higher ideals of Christian life, sunshine and gladness were spread in the pathway of a wide circle of friends —to know her, meant to love her.

Dear sister farewell, we now do tell,
You gained the race to wear the bright face
In Heaven above, where all will be love,
Where days are ne'er dim. All glory to Him,
Who planted our feet, though troubles be deep
In the upward way, where always 'tis day
To sing and adore, as never before
In temples of love, in Heaven above;
All sorrow will pass, as the dew from the grass,
And the soul will rest with the pure and blest
And in the white throng, live on and on.
A home prepared, the Bible declared,
For the pure in heart, from the earth far apart—
A Heavenly home, no never alone
In mansions of bliss, where sorrows missed
To darken our days, or molest our praise.
Oh! Heavenly thought, this home is not bought,
But is a free gift, our spirits to lift,
From the home of tears, encircled with years,
From sleep under clod, to presence with God.

HOLLOWAY

Daniel H. Holloway was born October 27, 1837, died June 14, 1930. Age 92 years, 7 months and 17 days. He was married to Martha Prevette about 1855. Unto this union were born eight children, seven are living. He professed a hope in Christ and united with Roaring River Baptist church, later he procured a letter and became a Constitutional member of Garden Creek church where he remained a consistent member till death.

He has left this world of sadness,
Gone where sorrows are no more,
Gone to meet with mother,
On that bright Celestial Shore.

COX

Dewey Cox was born April 23, 1900. Died August 18, 1930. Age 30 years, 3 months and 25 days. Was married to Effie Sexton Feb. 4, 1920. Unto this union were born four children, two are living. He professed a hope in Christ and joined Union Baptist church in 1925, where he remained till death.

Weep not dear father and mother for I trust your loss will be my Eternal gain.

COX

John H. Cox was born Oct. 10, 1863. Died Sept. 19, 1929. Age 65 years. 11 months and 21 days. He was first married to Nancy Ashburn. To this union were born two children. Later in life he married Emma Simmons. Unto this union were born eight children, four boys and four girls, all are living. He professed a hope in Christ and first joined Elk Spur Baptist church but later procured a letter and joined Union Baptist church where he remained a consistent member till death.

NELSON

Reatha Royal Nelson was born Jan. 5, 1902. Died Dec. 29, 1929. Age 27 years, 11 months and 24 days. Was married to Millard Nelson Jan. 12, 1919. To this union were born five children, three are living. She professed a hope in Christ and joined Friendship Baptist church in early life, later moved her membersip to Antioch where she remained a faithful member till death.

BARLOW

Minnie E. Barlow, whose maiden name was Burke, was born Feb. 10, 1884. Died Feb. 6, 1930. Age 45 years, 11 months and 26 days. She was married to John A. Barlow April 12,

1903. To this union were born 10 children, 8 are living. She professed a hope in Christ early in life and joined Chestnut Grove Baptist church and lived a consecrated member. About four years ago she moved her membership to Center Baptist church, at which place she was a faithful member till death.

FELTS

James Newton Felts was born April 30, 1848. Died Jan. 30, 1930, being 81 years, 8 months and 20 days of age. Was married to Celia Anne Johnson. To this union were born 7 children, six are living. He professed a hope in Christ at age 30 and joined Covenant Baptist church. Later he procured a letter and became a constitutional member of Round Mountain Baptist church where he lived a consecrated member till death.

FELTS

Celia Johnson Felts was born July 8, 1847. Died Oct. 11, 1930, being 83 years, 3 months and 3 days old. She was converted and joined Covenant Baptist church at about the age of 24 years, later she moved her membership to Round Mountain church where she lived a devoted Christian till death.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Church	Pastors	Clerks	Addresses	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	Sat. of C. M.	Rec'd. by Baptism	Rec'd. by Letter	Rec'd. by Applica.	Dismissed	Excluded	Deceased	Total Members	Contribution
Antioch	Harrold and Hays	Franklin Royal, McGrady		1		1	3						33	$ 1.50
Austin	Cooper and Brown	Guy Cox, Traphill		2		4	4	1	2	1		1	67	3.45
Bethany	H. A. Adams	M. A. Blackburn, R. River		2		4	5			1		1	59	2.00
Cane Creek	Adams, Hanks & Walker	J. C. Felts, Sheets			1	3	6			3		1	48	1.60
Center	Dillard and Reeves	H. H. Jennings, N. Wilkesboro		4	1					3	3	2	180	6.00
Double Creek	Sidden and Reeves	D. L. Holbrook, Abshers			1	2	4	1		1			41	2.95
Garden Creek	A. C. Sidden	J. M. Brown, Joynes				3	3			1		1	33	1.50
Liberty Knob	Miles, Barker & Barker	J. N. Royal, Doughton		3		3						1	39	3.70
New Covenant	M. C. Dillard	M. S. Walker, Myers				3	7	7		1	1	3	109	2.10
Oak Level	Adams, Barker & Barker	J. M. Spicer, Thurmond		1	1	3	5	1		5		2	77	
Rachel	Sparks and Burcham	T. A. Billings, R. River			1	1	6	2			1	1	156	2.90
Roaring River	Miles, Walker & Sidden	G. W. Brown, Traphill		1		4	3					1	116	6.40
Round Hill	L. E. Sparks	J. A. Pruitt			2	2	8	1	1	1		2	155	4.10
Rount Mtn.	David Doaten	J. L. Wood, Hays		2		1					2	3	68	
Union	A. C. Sidden	Watson Durham, Traphill				1	6	3		1		1	43	2.50
Union Hill	Walker and Wright	Elija Galispie, Elkin		1	1	1	3	3				1	52	5.00
Zion	Harrold and Dillard	Norman Reynolds, Hays		2		4				3			67	2.40
		Totals		19	8		56	19	3	21	7	21	1343	$55.10